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SUBJECT: ZHIVKOV VISIT TO ROMANIA

REF: SOFIA 0286

1. COMBINATION HUNT AND "SHORT FRIENDLY VISIT" WHICH BROUGHT BULGARIAN PARTY AND STATE HEAD TUDOR ZHIVKOV TO ROMANIA (FEBRUARY 14-17) SERVED AS OCCASION FOR TWO LEADERS TO DISCUSS THEIR CURRENT AND FUTURE ECONOMIC RELATIONS, PLANS FOR BALKAN COOPERATION, AND THE CYPRUS SITUATION, ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS. NO COMMUNIQUE PUBLISHED. CEAUSESCU AND ZHIVKOV AGREED TO MEET TWICE A YEAR AND ZHIKOV ANNOUNCED THAT HE WILL BE RETURNING TO ROMANIA IN THE COMING MONTHS AT THE HEAD OF A PARTY-STATE DELEGATION (PERHAPS ON THE ORDER OF THE POLISH AND EAST GERMAN DELEGATIONS WHICH WERE HERE IN JULY 1974 AND JANUARY 1975 RESPECTIVELY).

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2. ONE EE DIPLOMAT HAS REPORTED THAT DISCUSSIONS WERE
PRIMARILY ECONOMIC ADDING THAT THERE WERE STILL UNRESOLVED
PROBLEMS CONCERNING THE LONG PLANNED JOINT BULGARIAN-
ROMANIAN HYDRO-ELECTRIC PROJECT AT TURNU MAGURELE, E.G.,
THE FACT THAT MORE LAND WILL BE LOST TO THE BULGARIANS
THAN THE ROMANIANS, AND SITING OF A DOWNSTREAM COMBINAT.
HE ALSO COMMENTED THAT LACK OF PUBLICITY AND SHORT NOTICE
INVOLVING VISIT WAS CHARACTERISTIC OF BOTH LEADER'S
HABITS.
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